

## General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 257

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by: (KID)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF PESTICIDE AT DAY CARE FACILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 19a-79a of the general statutes is repealed and the 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):
- 3 (a) As used in this section, "pesticide" means a fungicide used on 4 plants, an insecticide, a herbicide or a rodenticide but does not mean a
- 5 sanitizer, disinfectant, antimicrobial agent or a pesticide bait, and
- 6 "lawn care pesticide" means a pesticide registered by the United States
- Environmental Protection Agency and labeled pursuant to the federal 7
- 8 Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act for use in lawn, garden and
- 9 ornamental sites or areas.
- 10 (b) No [application of pesticide may be made] person shall apply
- 11 pesticide in any building or on the grounds of any child day care
- 12 center, group day care home or family day care home, each as
- 13 described in section 19a-77, [during regular business hours] except that
- 14 [an emergency application may be made] a pesticide applicator with
- 15 supervisory certification under section 22a-54 or a pesticide applicator

- with operational certification under section 22a-54 under the direct supervision of a supervisory pesticide applicator, may make an emergency application to eliminate an immediate threat to human health [if (1) it is necessary to make the application during regular business hours, and (2)] as determined by the local health director or the Commissioner of Public Health, including, but not limited to, for the elimination of mosquitoes, ticks and stinging insects, provided such emergency application does not involve a restricted use pesticide, as defined in section 22a-47. No child enrolled at such center or home may enter an area where pesticides have been applied until it is safe to do so according to the provisions on the pesticide label.
  - [(c) No person shall apply a lawn care pesticide on the grounds of any child day care center or group day care home, as described in section 19a-77, except that an emergency application may be made to eliminate an immediate threat to human health, including, but not limited to, the elimination of mosquitoes, ticks and stinging insects, provided such emergency application does not involve a restricted use pesticide, as defined in section 22a-47.]
  - (c) On and after October 1, 2009, each provider of child day care services, as defined in section 19a-77, shall provide the parents or guardians of each child enrolled for such services an annual written statement of the provider's policy on pesticide application and a description of any pesticide application made at the day care facility during the previous twelve months. Such statement shall indicate that the parents or guardians may request prior notice of pesticide applications at the day care facility. Prior to providing for any application of pesticide within any building or on the grounds of any day care facility, the provider shall notify the parents and guardians who have requested prior notice under this subsection by any means practicable no later than twenty-four hours prior to such application. Notice under this subsection shall include (1) the name of the active ingredient of the pesticide being applied, (2) the target pest, (3) the location of the application on the day care facility property, and (4) the

proposed date of the application. A copy of the record of each pesticide
application at a day care facility shall be maintained at such facility for
a period of five years. For the purposes of this subsection, "day care
facility" means a child day care facility, group day care home or family
day care home that provides "child day care services" as defined in
section 19a-77.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 October 1, 2009 19a-79a

## Statement of Purpose:

To allow for the application of pesticide at a day care center by certified pesticide applicators in an emergency and require parental notification of any such application.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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